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Subject: Additional Incidents

Here are some additional incidents from last year, several of which I didn't receive until late 2002. They were in a file that I misplaced. Oops! Thanks again for your patience.

FYI: I'm waiting for info on 2 additional incidents I got this week that I'll report as soon as I know more.

One is on a 2 yo child who drank from a bottle of 87% diazinon insecticide (he is alive), and another is on a dog whose fur and skin got "burned off" from a Hartz product (it's significant damage, and the pictures are really gross)

Add this one to the Hartz "package" I sent last week -- it's current:

Hartz Advanced Care Flea and Tick Drops Plus for 10lb cats 2596 - 148
8/22/03 Fishers, IN

Applied 1 tube of product to each of **2 cats** at the base of the neck close to the skin. Within 20-30 minutes, both got shaking legs, dilated eyes, chaotic head movements, cold staring with no reaction to movement, excessive licking, scratching, running and instantly stopping (repeatedly) eventually lethargic. They had NOT played together or groomed each other. Washed off medication and taken to emergency hospital, then to cat clinic. Diagnosed with "toxicity from application of Hartz flea product" Treated with IVs and injection of atropine, and released a few hours later with dilated eyes, lethargy, no appetite. Cats are 12 yo, 10 lbs, and 9 yo, 11.4 lbs.

Used other products ("Program") in the past 1998-2002 with no problem
Reported to NPIC, retailer, and expecting to report to Hartz.

Purchased at Target in Fishers, IN -- no consumer information available.

Citizen: [REDACTED]

2002

Imidacloprid, Advantage for Cats and Kittens 9 lbs and under, 11556-116

Complainant: [REDACTED] OH

applied 2/22/02 to 10 wk old kitten, immediately began drooling and vomiting. Sought 5 days treatment from vet.

Notified or Investigated 3/4/02

Investigated by Ohio Dept. of Ag. -- determined proper application was made so ended investigation

Deltamethrin, Suspend SC, (Ficam W), 432-763

Complainant: [REDACTED] OH

applicator applied 6/12/02 crack and crevice throughout home and around foundation for ants, homeowner present during applicaton, later taken to ER carpets cleaned and ozone machine added, but continued health problems: tightness in chest, respiratory difficulty, headache, nausea, sore throat, choking, cough, vomiting, stinging taste in mouth; can't live in home. home and lawn previously treated by husband and lawn care company. allergic to aspirin, previous partial collapse of lung

Notified or Investigated 6/21/02

Investigated by Ohio Dept. of Ag -- no misuse found

bromo2-nitropropane-1,3 diol.?, Microbiocide, 67212-1

Complainant: [REDACTED] OH

applied 4/9/02 as part of residential duct cleaning and homeowner became ill

Notified or Investigated 6/4/02

Investigated by Ohio Dept. of Ag --misuse (do not use in air ducts, and application technique not according to label)

2,4-D, Weedar 64, 71368-1

Complainant: [REDACTED] OH

sprayed 6/30/02 by neighbor applying product to lawn; coughing, throat sore and swelling, burning in chest, went to ER, diagnosed with severe respiratory distress, chemical inhalation injury. Few days later

admitted to hospital overnight with dehydration, nausea, muscle cramps.

Notified or Investigated 7/26/02

Investigated by Ohio Dept. of Ag -- intentional spraying unclear

O-isopropoxyphenyl methylcarbamate, Chase Ant and Roach Killer, 498-123 - 006

Complainant: [REDACTED] per Doctor, OH

applied 3/6/01 to middle school: at least 9 students and staff complained about odor and general symptoms: headache, sore throat, runny nose, respiratory irritation; building was aired out and cleaned extensively; 1 teacher continues to have problems: chronic cough, fatigue, respiratory difficulty, dizziness, blurred vision, loss of voice, sweating, muscular leg weakness, etc worse when in building

Notified or Investigated 8/16/02

Investigated by Ohio Dept. of Ag -- applied according to label, licensing violation

methyl parathion

applied indoors to 10-12 properties in Anderson, IN by property owner, who obtained the product from Kilgore, the man convicted of the MP incidents in the 1990's, Caller complaining about neurological problems and wants to know if it's related to MP exposure. Has long history of other medical problems i.e. stroke, high blood pressure, on lots of medications. - 007

Notified 4/16/02

Investigated by Office Of the Indiana State Chemist

Update

dichlorvos, Vapona 300/500

Complainant: [REDACTED] MN - 008

husband worked for a bakery warehouse for 17 yrs, 13 of which he fumigated weekly w/Vapona -- frequently got splashed on hands and face, exposed during equipment malfunctions, etc. Has developed peripheral neuropathy in extremities, complete nerve damage in legs, feet, hands, unable to work for 1 year+

Notified 5/15/02

diazinon, malathion, glyphosate - 009

Complainant: [REDACTED] Works in IL, lives in KY.

seasonal nursery worker May-August 1999-2001. Used various chemicals every other week with no PPE. May 2001 started having breathing problems, blurred vision, dizziness, fatigue, went to ER and respiratory clinic -- found high BP and palpitations, but no other problems. Several months later, diagnosed with asthma and gets treatments. Hasn't worked since 8/01 and started feeling better in 3/02

Notified 4/4/02

pyrethrin/PBO, Pro Control Fogger, 499-465 - 010

Complainant: [REDACTED] IL

4/02 6 oz. fogger can unknowingly used in basement while subject was sleeping upstairs. Entered basement shortly after for about 1 hour. Several hours later got scratchy throat, tightness and burning in chest, coughed up phlegm, shallow breathing. Aired out house, but symptoms persist 1 week later

Notified 4/24/02

methyl bromide - 011

Complainant: [REDACTED] OH

Household goods were fumigated in Hong Kong, shipped to U.S., sealed 1 1/2 months. While unloading/unpacking at home, had very strong odor, still smells 1 1/2 weeks later. 2 adults, 6 children, and dog having symptoms. 1 adult went to hospital received breathing treatment, other adult to doctor with chronic/continued numb, tingling hands, jittery, headache, memory problems, sore throat. 6 children (9 mos - 9 years+) went to pediatrician for shaking, severe headaches, dizziness, stomachache, nausea. Better when out of home for extended periods. Dog also shaking.

Notified 8/15/02

2,4-D, MCPP, Dicamba, Trimec Broadleaf ? - 012

Complainant: [REDACTED] IL

28 yr. old worked for lawn care company as applicator for 2 months in summer 2000. Applied mostly Trimec/fertilizer mix, but nozzle was broken and Mgr. wouldn't fix. Product dripped down his leg all day and got on hands, feet, inside boots. Developed dizziness, and puss-filled scabs up and down legs that developed into rashes and scars. Quit and was told symptoms would go away. Still has scars, prickly skin, tingling in hands and feet, lack of concentration
Notified 1/2/02

chlorpyrifos - 013

Complainant: Jonathon Beaver (victim's attorney), OH
client collapsed and was taken to the hospital after walking past a neighbor who was applying chlorpyrifos in the lawn. Very "allergic" to OP's -- goes into anaphylactic shock upon exposure, even to small amounts.
Notified 7/16/02

phenol, sodium salt phenol, Sporidicidin Disinfectant, 8383-3 - 014

Complainant: [REDACTED] MI
product used during mold remediation to clean carpets and furniture in home. All family members had reactions: skin/eye irritation, headaches, nausea; 3 children (4-12 yo) broke out in blister-like sores unexplained by doctors.
Note: product is not intended for soft porous surfaces, but label is not clear
Notified 11/29/02